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Seniors Hit 700 Mark

Age is not the only thing with some high numbers in the Senior Citizens league at Western Bowl on Friday afternoons. Advanced years may slow some things, but scores can still reach areas that many younger bowlers never see. Three league members have recorded five 700 series among them to this point in the league season. The "700 Seniors" are James Bisch (2), Elmer Osterbur (2) and Sam Steenbergen.

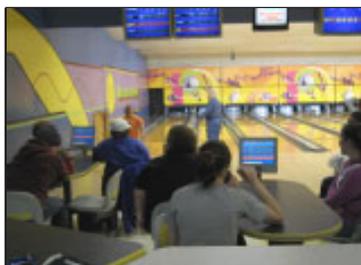
New Local 700 Award



Match Games Doubles and Singles Event Held

The Match Games Doubles and Singles events have been held locally with the qualifying and finals held in four different bowling centers.

Visit the association website at WWW.C-UBOWL.COM for a complete breakdown of the qualifiers and event winners.



Special Olympics Bowlers

At 4:00 PM on Mondays and Wednesdays each week, a group of enthusiastic bowlers converge on Western Bowl to enjoy one of their favorite pastimes. Rolling the ball and knocking down pins is a welcome addition to their daily schedule.

The C-U Special Recreation division of the Champaign Park District sponsors practice times on Monday and Wednesday each week for a group of some 30 to 50 bowlers. They gather at Western Bowl to both enjoy their sport and prepare for the annual tournament held in August each year. This group varies in both age and skill level, but all equally share their enjoyment of the sport. Ages range from 8 to 60 and while each week their numbers vary, their enthusiasm does not. At each session, volunteer coaches help with hands on instruction. These helpers come from the local community and the University of Illinois. All parties concerned enjoy this time and look forward to each week's practice time.

If you are looking to expand your enjoyment of our sport while at the same time helping others to do the same, contact Jessi Bernstein or Kathy Stiebner at 398-2374 and volunteer your time

Love of the Game Never Grows Old

Age need not be a barrier to continue to enjoy bowling in a league. At an age that most of us just hope to still be around, Ken Harschbarger, who at 91 is the oldest certified bowler in the CABA, competes in two leagues a week. His high series so far this season is a nice 532. Not far behind in age, and also bowling in two leagues each week is Harold Voss who will be 90 in May.

Did You Know?

One of the bowlers on a team is having a difficult time sliding on the approach and applies a product purchased at the center pro shop to the bottom of their shoes. The product is designed to help a bowler slide. The secretary says she received a complaint from the opposing team and notifies the individual to stop using the product or the game will be forfeited.

Can an officer tell a bowler to stop using the substance and declare the game forfeited?

Answer:

Rule 12 states, "The application of any foreign substance on any part of the approach that detracts from the possibility of other players having normal conditions is prohibited." Commercial products, talcum powder or any substance applied to the shoe or approach could be in violation of Rule 12. If a league participant uses a substance and somebody complains that it prohibits him or her from having normal conditions, the league officer should require the individual to stop his/her action. If the individual refuses, their games are subject to forfeiture.